

● PRINTER RUSH ●
(PTO ASSISTANCE)

Application : 09/047,087 Examiner : Rosenbaum GAU : 3726

From: J. Robbins Location: IDC FMF FDC Date: 11/4/04

Tracking #: EPM Week Date: _____

| DOC CODE | DOC DATE | MISCELLANEOUS |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1449 | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Data |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDS | <u>11-24-03 (10-25-04)</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Priority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLM | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Document Legibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IIFW | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SRFW | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DRW | _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OATH | _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 312 | _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SPEC | _____ | |

[RUSH] MESSAGE: Please either initial or line through citation on PTO-1449 form. Copy provided for reference.

Thank You

[XRUSH] RESPONSE: _____

INITIALS:

NOTE: This form will be included as part of the official USPTO record, with the Response document coded as XRUSH.
REV 10/04

OCT 25 2004

PTO/SB/08A (10-01)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

| | | | |
|--|----|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Substitute for form 1449A/PTO | | <i>Complete if Known</i> | |
| INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i> | | Application Number | 09/647,087 |
| | | Filing Date | March 29, 1999 |
| | | First Named Inventor | Ian James Whitworth |
| | | Art Unit | 3726 |
| | | Examiner Name | P.W. Echols |
| Sheet | of | Attorney Docket Number | 2308/100 |

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Foreign Patent Document | | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Application of Cited Document | Page, Column, Line, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T ² |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|----------------|
| | | Country Code ³ | Number ⁴ (if known) | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | T ² |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|----------------|
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

| | | | |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|
| Examiner Signature | | Date Considered | |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|

***EXAMINER:** Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.